

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Replace the paragraph beginning on Page 2, Line 27 with the following new paragraph:

Fig. 5 is an electrical schematic showing the electrical connections for the construction shown in Fig. ~~5~~ 4;

Replace the paragraph beginning on Page 2, Line 29 with the following new paragraph:

Fig. ~~5A~~ 6A is a perspective view of a construction embodying the present invention;

Replace the paragraph beginning on Page 4, Line 16 with the following new paragraph:

As an example of the wide range of surge protection devices which are within the scope of the present invention, there is shown in Fig. 2 and Fig. 3 a perspective view of another electronic housing device in the form of a base unit for a stackable USB hub **29**, which may be such as shown in applicant's co-pending application Serial No. ~~60/169,255~~ 60/169,055, now U.S. Patent No. 6,607,408, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Replace the paragraph beginning on Page 5, Line 19 with the following new paragraph:

As depicted in Figs. 6; 6A, 6B, 7 and 7A, an extendable housing portion **42** may slide in and out of the opening **41** on complementary rails **62** provided in the housing **30** and on the housing portion **42** by means well known in the art, and may have a spring loaded pop-out feature **64**, or may simply be extended and retracted like a common drawer in the housing **30**. The pop-outlets **31** and **32** and the opening **40** are not shown in ~~the~~ these views. The housing **30** portion 42 has at least one stop **66** in mechanical communication with the housing **30** to prevent the extendable housing portion **42** from extending beyond a predetermined distance **68** from the housing **30** as shown in ~~Figs. 6 and 6A~~ Fig. 7. Preferably, manual means **70**, such as a human finger, are used to locate the extendable housing portion **42** back into the housing **30**. As depicted in Figs. 6B and 7A, at least one outlet or connector **25** is preferably accessible when the extendable housing portion **42** is retracted in the housing **30**, however, embodiments where the outlet or connector **25** is not accessible are also well within the scope of the invention.